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PHOTO BY CYNTHIA CUMMINGS

Mike Rousseau, Public Works, clears snow in Roosevelt Center.

The Big Snow Brings Greenbelters Together

by Kyla Hanington

“I just thought that was wonderful,” said Bunny Fitzgerald of Greenbriar on discovering her upstairs neighbor had shoveled out her car. “I couldn’t clean off my car because the snow was too high. But I went out on Sunday and everyone in our building and the building next door was out shoveling snow. The young woman who lives above me shoveled out my car,” Fitzgerald explained happily.

Both Fitzgerald and Mayor Emmett Jordan, who also lives in Greenbriar, were happy with the work of Public Works and CVI, the management company of Greenbriar; crews were working as early as Friday night shoveling, salting and sanding walkways around the complex. “They’ve done a beautiful job,” said Fitzgerald.

Jordan, speaking on Saturday, noted that the driveway to his complex was clear. He walked around parts of Greenbelt that day and observed that Greenway Center was open and the parking lot clear for people who had emergencies and needed to get to the grocery or drugstores. Likewise, Roosevelt Center was cleared and the Co-op grocery

store, closed on Saturday, was back in operation on Sunday and had a steady stream of shoppers. The Old Greenbelt Theatre opened every day, with some free shows for children during the days such as Pixar Shorts on Monday and Frozen on Tuesday, as well as its originally scheduled movie lineup. Members received email notice that the theater was open.

Public Works

According to Jordan, Public Works ran round-the-clock staff during the storm, with the crews “working really hard. They are on rotating shifts; they’re on call, on duty, sleep there.” Jordan explained that Public Works was focused first on getting major roadways clear, then residential streets and then public walkways and sidewalks. Already most streets are clear, excepting where people have shoveled snow back into the roads as they clear off their cars. Some of the inner walkways have been plowed and salted. “I think they’re doing a really good job,” said Jordan.

For Anne and Charles Akin-tibubo of Franklin Park, the

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PHOTO BY HELEN SYDAVAR

Linnea Jenkins, Lorelei Jenkins, Kadambari Ramachandran and Ady Mae Kerdock enjoy the snow at Roosevelt Center.

GSA Requests Bids for New FBI HQ, D.C. Hoover Building Swap

by James Giese

On Friday, January 22, the General Services Administration (GSA) announced that it had issued Phase II of its Request for Proposals (RFP) for the Federal Bureau of Investigation Headquarters Consolidation Project. It also announced that President Barack Obama’s Fiscal Year 2017 budget proposal to Congress will include funding in support of full consolidation of the project.

The following is the GSA release:

Washington —The U.S. General Services Administration today issued Phase II of the Request for Proposals to the bidders that will compete for title to the J. Edgar Hoover Federal Building in exchange for the construction of a new 2.1 million rentable square foot Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) headquarters facility. To ensure that

GSA can make an award for the project in FY17, GSA also announced that \$1.4 billion in construction funding will be included in the President’s FY17 budget to be released on February 9, 2016.

“The Administration is committed to acquiring a consolidated new headquarters facility for the FBI, a member of the intelligence community,” said Bill Dowd, project executive for GSA’s Public Buildings Service. “The consolidated headquarters facility will allow the FBI to perform its critical national security, intelligence and law enforcement missions in a new modern and secure facility. We appreciate Congress’ support of the project through the inclusion of \$390 million in the Fiscal Year 2016 Omnibus.”

In October, GSA notified the short-listed bidders that they had

been selected to participate in Phase II. In Phase II, bidders will submit proposals to construct the consolidated FBI headquarters in exchange for the J. Edgar Hoover Federal Building. The project will bring together FBI headquarters functions currently housed at the Hoover building, as well as those dispersed at multiple locations across the Washington, D.C., metropolitan area.

Three potential sites Greenbelt, Landover and Springfield, VA for the new FBI headquarters facility have already been identified: The National Environmental Policy Act evaluation process is underway and GSA released the draft environmental impact statement in November, held public meetings in each of the three local jurisdictions, and is in the process of reviewing public comments.

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GHI Board Approves City’s Request to Buy 10-A Crescent

by Kathleen Gallagher

Eight members of the Board of Directors of Greenbelt Homes, Inc. voted unanimously at their January 21 meeting to allow the City of Greenbelt to acquire the use of the house at 10-A Crescent Road for the purpose of expanding the space available to the Greenbelt Museum, which currently occupies the other half of the duplex, 10-B Crescent Road. Board Member Diana McFadden was ill and did not attend the meeting.

The motion to support was made by Treasurer Chuck Hess, who listed the board’s two conditions for the approval. One was that the city agree to sign new commercial Mutual Ownership Contracts (MOCs) for both 10-A and 10-B, since the MOC for the second house would otherwise be based upon a more recent template than the first. The second condition was that the city pay all legal costs associated with the creation of the MOCs for the two houses.

Speaking of Costs

It appeared that some GHI members had been concerned that there would be costs to the membership if the unit were occupied by the city for the museum. Board Member Bill Jones said it should be understood that “GHI will neither receive any less money nor spend any more money than [if the occupants were] natural-born members.” In short, he said that although the unit would be removed from residential occupancy, there would be no financial loss to other mem-

bers as a result.

Vice President Susan Ready added that, in fact, the situation was quite to the contrary. “The City of Greenbelt has always been a good member at 10-B,” she said. “Not only do they always pay their co-op fee on time, they always pay it a year in advance.”

The next steps involve the city’s review of the draft MOC. President Steve Skolnik indicated that the draft MOC for 10-A is based not on the MOC for 10-B but on another commercial membership. The 10-B MOC will be

redrawn from that commercial membership. Hess recommended that the city’s attorney first look at the draft, with review by GHI’s attorney to follow, including any queries or requested changes from the city.

Mutual Benefits

City Councilmember Judith Davis, who was also present at the meeting, reinforced the idea that having the Greenbelt Museum located in a GHI house really is a benefit to both the city and to GHI, since people’s first

See **MUSEUM**, page 9

What Goes On

Saturday, January 30

10 a.m. to Noon, Rain Garden Workshop, Public Works Office, (First in a Series of Three Clinics)

Monday, February 1

8 p.m. Council Worksession, Greenbelt Lake, Municipal Building, Live on Verizon 21, Comcast 71 and streaming at greenbeltmd.gov/municipaltv

Tuesday, February 2

7 p.m. Arts Advisory Board Meeting, Community Center
7:30 p.m. Community Relations Advisory Board meeting, Schrom Hills Park Meeting Room

Wednesday, February 3

8 p.m. Council Worksession, Transit, Community Center

Thursday, February 4

2:30 to 3:30 p.m. Free Produce Distribution, Springhill Lake Elementary School

Saturday, February 6

9 a.m. to Noon, Electronics Recycling, Public Works Yard

Sunday, February 7

1 to 4 p.m. Artful Afternoon Community Center

Three Cheers!
Our Public Works
employees kept our
roads open.
Thank you.

Letters to the Editor

Neighborly Behavior?

My wife and I have been Greenbelt residents since 1970. We have raised our two kids here who attended Greenbelt Elementary and Middle schools and then Eleanor Roosevelt High School. They participated in many of the activities provided by the schools and by the city. For almost all of those years my wife and I have volunteered for many city-sponsored activities as we have tried to be good neighbors to our community. And we continue to volunteer now. Like many others, I was shoveling out my driveway Saturday morning. A gentleman approached me and asked if he could borrow my snow shovel so he could dig a path in the snow. He offered to give me some money. I told him that I had a second shovel that he could borrow and that I didn't want any money for it. It seemed like the right thing to do in our community. I just asked that he return it when he was finished. I took a break and went inside for a while. When I went back out, I saw that the gentleman had returned my shovel as asked. But I noticed that someone had

taken my other shovel. This is not the first time that I have lost a shovel. Over the years, we have had a motorcycle and many potted plants stolen from our carport, had our car broken into and had our house broken into and trashed. For some time, people have been telling me that we should move out of this area. If our neighborhood is not going to be a community of people helping each other, I may have to consider making such a change.
Bob and Betty Sonneveldt

Thank You

I would like to offer a big thank you to Public Works plow drivers Mike and Freddy, who helped clear Orange Court Monday morning as I needed to get to the airport for a flight on Monday evening. Earlier attempts at plowing our court had put a berm of snow and ice on our side making it impossible to get out. They took the time to make sure our driveway entrance was clear and then put down sand over the ice.
Nancy and Gus Tolzman



PHOTO BY ERIC ZHANG

Benjamin (left) and Shayna Skolnik show their snow shoes.



PHOTO BY ERIC ZHANG

Ezekiel Kelley (4) sleds down the hill by the library.

Able to clear city streets in a single night! Faster than a speeding snowstorm!

Cartoon by Shayna Skolnik

LOVE NOTES
ARE COMING
See ad on page 11
♥♥♥♥♥

The Greenbelt
Grasshopper

Check out
the Kids'
Section on
page 8.

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Adults \$7, Kids \$5
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SHOWTIMES
Jan 29 – Feb 4

SPOTLIGHT
(R) (CC) (128 m.)
Fri. 6:00 PM
Sat. 1:00 PM, 6:00 PM
Sun. 3:30, 8:30 PM
Mon. 6:00 PM
Tues. 6:00 PM
Wed. 1:00 PM, 6:00 PM
Thurs. 6:00 PM

ROOM (R) (CC) (118 m.)
Fri. 3:30 PM, 8:30 PM
Sat. 3:30 PM, 8:30 PM
Sun. 1:00 PM (OC), 6:00 PM
Mon. 8:30 PM
Tues. 8:30 PM
Wed. 3:30 PM, 8:30 PM
Thurs. 8:30 PM

Cult Classics Series:
ARMY OF DARKNESS
(1992) (R) (96 m.)
Fri. 11:00 PM

Family Series:
THE MUPPET MOVIE
(1979) (G) (97 m.)
Sat. 11:00 AM

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Greenbelt Community Center at 15 Crescent Rd.
OFFICE HOURS: Monday 2 - 4 p.m., Tuesday 2 - 4, 6 - 10 p.m.

Community Events

At the New Deal Café

Thursday, January 28, Mid-Day Melodies with Amy C Kraft from noon to 2 p.m. SAW Open Mic hosted by Lynn Hollyfield from 7 to 10 p.m.

Friday, January 29, John Guernsey plays American standards on piano from 6:30 to 8 p.m. The 8-Balls offer up classic rock of the 60s and 70s from 8:30 to 11:30 p.m.

Saturday, January 30, Guernsey plays jazz and blues piano from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m. Little Red and the Renegades, a zydeco and Cajun band, start off Mardi Gras season with some great New Orleans-style party music from 8:30 to 11:30 p.m.

Sunday, January 31, join the Deaf Brunch from 10:30 a.m. until noon. A CD release party and concert with Annette Wasilik and the Wonder Band with Kevin Dudely from 5 to 8 p.m.

Tuesday, February 2, The New Old Jamboree hosted by Ruthie and the Wranglers features old songs, new songs and special guests from 7 to 9 p.m.

Wednesday, February 3, The Scrub Pines perform bluegrass ballads and instrumentals from 7 to 9 p.m.

Thursday, February 4, Mid-Day Melodies with Amy C Kraft from noon to 2 p.m. SAW Open Mic hosted by Paige Powell from 7 to 10 p.m.

Friday, February 5, Guernsey plays American standards on piano from 6:30 to 8 p.m. The Mojo Priests offer up Blues music with a bit of Rock, a dash of R&B and a splash of Jazz from 8:30 to 11:30 p.m.

GHI Notes

Friday, January 29, Office Closed, Emergency Maintenance Service at 301-474-6011

Monday, February 1, 7 p.m., Parking Sub-Committee Meeting, Board Room

Wednesday, February 3, 7 p.m., Board of Directors Work Session (Action Plan), Board Room

Thursday, February 4, 7:30 p.m., Board of Directors Meeting (Open Session), Board Room

Saturday, February 6, 11 a.m., Pre-Purchase Orientation, Board Room

Making the Grade At Beltway Plaza

Making the Grade A+, an academic enrichment program for students K-12, will hold its first Teen Summit at Beltway Plaza Mall on February 12 from 6 to 8 p.m. The event is free and aimed at youth, particularly young women, ages 13 to 18 years.

MakerSpace News

After a couple of snow days, MakerSpace is open and bringing new events and classes to Greenbelt.

Saturday, January 30 from 10 a.m. to 12 noon is the last ever Coder Dojo for kids. Kids of all experience levels can get a taste of JavaScript programming through Minecraft. Beginners welcome as always.

Tuesday, February 2, First Lego League has post-season training from 6 to 7 p.m. and a brand-new Arduino workshop from 7:30 to 9 p.m. Now is the perfect time to learn Arduino programming.

Wednesday, February 3 has a new round of Jr. LEGOs from 4 to 5 p.m. and Knit Night from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. As always, knitters, crocheters and other fibery crafters from beginner to advanced are welcome to come and work on their projects in good company.

G-CAN Co-sponsors Book Discussion

A discussion group is forming on the book, Active Hope: How to Face the Mess We're in Without Going Crazy. This book gives specific ways to stay involved in life, even when much of what is happening in the world is discouraging. Joanna Macy and her co-author Chris Johnstone have developed strategies to help people move past despair and fear over the climate crisis and stay hopeful and active. This event is free of charge and co-sponsored by Greenbelt Climate Action Network.

There will be eight or nine sessions, probably twice a month, but dates and frequency of meetings will be decided by the participants. For more information or to indicate interest, please leave a message at 301-474-1353 or contact marjory.donn@verizon.net.

Toastmasters to Meet

The next meeting of the Greenbelt Toastmasters Club will be on Wednesday, February 3 at 7:30 p.m. in the Social Hall of Greenbelt Community Church at Hillside and Crescent Roads. The Social Hall is at the rear of the church on the lower level of the main building.

Toastmasters offers professionals, students, stay-at-home parents and retirees a supportive environment to improve skills in communication and leadership. Members learn to lose the fear of public speaking, become better listeners and build skills for success.

Twisted at Roosevelt Rescheduled

Eleanor Roosevelt High School (ERHS) presents Twisted, the story of Aladdin told from the perspective of evil Vizier Jafar. The student-production musical features a full pit orchestra and 12 performers. The show is performed in the new Sally Wagner Black Box Theater at ERHS in Room 004. Show dates, rescheduled because of the snow, are January 29, February 2 and 4 at 7 p.m. Tickets may be purchased at the door. This show is not suitable for children.

Annual Climate Change Update

Greenbelt Climate Action Network will hold a Climate Change Update on Wednesday, February 3 from 7 to 9:15 pm at the Community Center, Room 114.

Chris Barnet will provide an entertaining summary of the recent science of climate change. The presentation will be an overview of hundreds of the most recent scientific papers. Topics will include historical (paleo) climate analogues, recent climate change modeling predictions as well as recent measurements of climate change. He will also present an analysis of fossil fuel emissions and conclude with an analysis of potential solutions. Barnet hopes to engage the audience with a broad brush of topics and then lead an impromptu conversation of any or all of these topics.

Barnet has lived in Greenbelt for over 25 years. In his early career, he modeled planetary atmospheres and used Voyager Spacecraft and Hubble Space Telescope sensors to understand the climates of Jupiter, Saturn, Uranus and Neptune. For the last two decades, he has developed algorithms for monitoring the Earth's weather and climate from advanced Earth-orbiting sensors.

As always, the last portion of the evening will be used for local announcements and updates on Greenbelt sustainability projects.

For more information, contact Lore Rosenthal at lore@simplicity-matters.org or 301-345-2234.

City Offers Rain Garden Workshops

The Department of Public Works is offering a series of three free workshops for those who have thought about planting a rain garden but felt that they needed some help. The first workshop, Stormwater Audit, will be held January 30 from 10 a.m. to noon. Attendees will learn how to assess a property for stormwater problems and opportunities and how to site a rain garden.

On February 27, a workshop will feature a tour of local rain gardens so attendees can view displays and talk with local landscapers. The third, a Rain Garden Clinic on March 19, will allow attendees to get real-time help with rain garden design and a Rain Check Rebate application.

All workshops will be held at the Public Works Office, 555 Crescent Road; door prizes and refreshments will be included. To register go to: signnugenius.com/go/20f084eaaa72eaaff2-rain.

Senior Nutrition

The Senior Nutrition Food and Friendship program provides lunches for seniors Monday through Friday at the Community Center beginning at noon. Meals must be reserved by 11 a.m. two days ahead so that enough food is ordered. Call 301-397-2208 ext. 4215.

All meals include margarine, coffee or tea and skim milk.

ELEANOR ROOSEVELT
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THE UNTOLD STORY OF A ROYAL VIZIER
By StarkKid Productions

A Wicked version of Aladdin
A Student Produced Musical

DATES CHANGED FOR SNOW
FRI., TUES., THURS.
JAN. 29, FEB. 2, 4

At 7pm in
ERHS Room 004

\$7 at
the door

Not suitable for children

Greenbelt Arts Center OPENING THIS WEEK

ZOMBIE PROM



January 29- February 13

Friday and Saturday at 8:00

Sundays January 31 and February 7 at 2:00

**ADDING NEW SHOWS
FOR THOSE LOST DURING SNOWZILLA!**
Two new Saturday Matinees: Sat, Feb 6 and Sat, Feb 13 at 2:00pm
Ticket prices: \$22 General Admission, \$18 Students/Seniors/Military,
\$14 Youth (12 and under with adult)

COMING SOON

Enchanted April Auditions - Jan 31 - Feb 1
God: The One-Man Show - Feb 19 - 28 - Created by Rich Potter
Bad Jews - March 4 - 20 - Directed by Bob Kleinberg

For information & reservations, call 301-441-8770 or
email: info@greenbeltartscenter.org or
BOOK TICKETS ONLINE at www.greenbeltartscenter.org

LOVE NOTES

♥♥ ARE COMING ♥♥

♥ See ad on page 11 ♥

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R = ID Required
(!) = No passes, (!!) = No passes weekend
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Week of January 29

FRIDAY – SATURDAY

The Finest Hour, in 3D, PG-13
(!) 1:45, 9:50
The Finest Hour, PG-13 (!)
11, 4:30, 7:10
Ride Along 2, PG-13
11:20, 1:50, 4:30, 7:20, 9:45
Fifty Shades of Black, R (!)
11, 2:20, 4:40, 7:10, 9:45
The Boy, PG-13 (!!)
11:10, 5, 7:15, 9:50
Dirty Grandpa, R (!!)
11:40, 2:10, 4:30, 7:20, 9:50
Kung Fu Panda 3, in 3D, PG (!)
2:05, 9:10
Kung Fu Panda 3, PG (!)
11:40, 1:30, 4:40, 7
The 5th Wave, PG-13 (!!)
11:10, 1:50, 4:25, 7, 9:40
13 Hours: the Secret Soldiers, R
11, 2, 3:50, 6:50, 9:30

SUNDAY – WEDNESDAY

The Finest Hour, in 3D, PG-13
(!) 1:45
The Finest Hour, PG-13 (!)
11, 4:30, 7:10
Ride Along 2, PG-13
11:20, 1:50, 4:30, 7:20
Fifty Shades of Black, R (!)
11, 2:20, 4:40, 7:10
The Boy, PG-13
11:10, 5, 7:15
No 11:10 show on Monday
Dirty Grandpa, R
11:40, 2:10, 4:30, 7:20
Kung Fu Panda 3, in 3D, PG (!)
2:05
Kung Fu Panda 3, PG (!)
11:40, 4:40, 7
The 5th Wave, PG-13
11:10, 1:50, 4:25, 7
13 Hours: the Secret Soldiers, R
11, 2, 3:50, 6:50

THURSDAY

The Finest Hour, in 3D, PG-13
(!) 1:45
The Finest Hour, PG-13 (!)
11, 4:30, 7:10
Ride Along 2, PG-13
11:20, 1:50, 4:30, 7:20
Fifty Shades of Black, R (!)
11, 2:20, 4:40, 7:10
The Boy, PG-13
11:10, 1:30, 5, 7:15
Dirty Grandpa, R
11:40, 2:10, 4:30, 7:20
Kung Fu Panda 3, in 3D, PG (!)
2:05
Kung Fu Panda 3, PG (!)
11:40, 4:40, 7
The 5th Wave, PG-13
11:10, 1:50, 4:25
13 Hours: the Secret Soldiers, R
11, 2, 3:50, 6:50
Pride, Prejudice and Zombies,
PG-13
7 (preshow)

More Community Events
are located throughout the paper.

Utopia Film Festival Presents
Sunday, Jan. 31st & Wednesday, Feb. 3rd
Beginning at 8 PM

“King In Chicago” and
“Rebuilding New Orleans”

On Greenbelt Access Television, Inc. (GATe)
Comcast 77 & Verizon Fios 19 Channels

Our Neighbors

Our condolences to the family of Chuck Ashurst who died on January 5.

Within the cold temperatures and the blowing snow, we found that the blizzard of 2016 provided yet another example of why Greenbelt is great! Main roads in Greenbelt were cleared quickly, and proper machinery was used to move the snow and not just push it. Most importantly, our neighbors stepped in to help those in need and even cleared interior walkways. We hear many reports of courts working together to lessen the snow piles plows left behind or helping elderly who would otherwise be unable to clear their sidewalks. Others ventured to Roosevelt Center to see a movie, take in a puppet show, or shop at Coop Supermarket. The City of Greenbelt took to social media to provide thorough updates on snow clearing and city service openings/closings.

Congratulations to James Blue on receiving his Bachelor of Computer Science degree from the University of Maryland. He lives on Plateau Place. His parents both grew up in Greenbelt.

Get well wishes to John H. Crisman who is recuperating at home in Virginia.

Share your accomplishments, milestones or news for the next Our Neighbors column. To send information for Our Neighbors, email editor@greenbeltnewsreview.com or leave a message at 202-957-3072.

- Karen Yoho

County Presents Black History Art Show

A free family art show and silent auction will be held on Thursday, February 4 from 6 to 9 p.m. Kick off Black History Month celebrations through the expression of art. Guests will experience the artwork of local artists and participate in a silent auction for an opportunity to take home a masterpiece of their own.

Refreshments will be served. This event will be held at the Prince George's Sports and Learning Complex in Landover. Call 301-583-2400; TTY 301-699-2544 for more information.

Mary Poppins Singalong Saturday

The College Park Arts Exchange will hold a free Singalong with Mary Poppins on Saturday, January 30 from 1 to 4 p.m. at the Old Parish House in College Park. Bring the family to enjoy this classic movie and sing along with the subtitles in a fun community atmosphere – plus popcorn. This event is free and open to the public. For more information call 301-927-3013.





Catholic Community of Greenbelt MASS
Sundays 10 A.M.
Municipal Building
ALL ARE WELCOME.

Obituaries

Charles “Chuck” Ashurst

On Tuesday, January 5, 2016 Charles “Chuck” Roderick Ashurst, 64, of Greenbelt died peacefully in his sleep at home. Originally from Fowler, Colo., he served as a teletypist for the U.S. Army during the Vietnam War. He then moved to Alexandria, Va., where he started his government career at the Bureau of Public Debt. Later while working at the National Archives, Mr. Ashurst completed his bachelor’s degree in history. In the mid-1980s, he worked briefly as a cab driver before transitioning to the U.S. Postal Service, where he spent 15 years serving Hyattsville and Riverdale. He completed his doctor of law degree at the University of the District of Columbia in 2000, joining the Maryland Bar Association and practicing family law in Prince George’s County.

Mr. Ashurst enjoyed gardening, cooking and helping others. He was an active church member

for over 35 years, the last four at St. George’s Episcopal Church in Glenn Dale. He was known for helping others, especially the homeless and disenfranchised. His sense of humor lightened life for many people and he treated everyone equally, showing great patience while nurturing others, young and old alike. Mr. Ashurst spent several years accompanying his daughter Jenny in delivering this newspaper in Springhill Lake Apartments (now Franklin Park).

Mr. Ashurst is survived by his wife Luella Tabor, son Matthew (Anne) Ashurst and daughter Jenny Ashurst, grandchildren Angel and Christian Ashurst, sisters Christine MacLennon and Coleen Ashurst, and his mother Alice Franz. His father John R. MacLennon pre-deceased him.

A memorial service was held at St. George’s Episcopal Church on Saturday, January 16, 2016. Memorial contributions may be made in his name to the St. George’s Episcopal Church’s Ensuring Our Future fund, 7010 Glenn Dale Road, Glenn Dale, MD 20769.




Mowatt Memorial United Methodist Church
40 Ridge Road, Greenbelt
Open hearts, Open minds, Open doors
www.greenbeltumc.org 301-474-9410
Rev. Fay Lundin, Pastor



Worship Service 10 a.m.
God can do immeasurably more than we ask or imagine. Ephesians 3:20

ST. HUGH OF GRENOBLE CATHOLIC CHURCH
135 Crescent Road, Greenbelt, MD 20770
301-474-4322



Mass Schedule:
Sunday 8:00, 9:30, 11:00 a.m.
Saturday 9:00 a.m., 5:00 p.m.
Daily Mass: 7:15 a.m.
Sacrament of Penance: Saturday 3:30-4:30 p.m.


Pastor: Rev. Walter J. Tappe

GREENBELT BAPTIST CHURCH



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Pro-Life Prayer Mission Kick-Off Rally

First Baptist Church of Glenarden Ministry Center
3600 Brightseat Road, Landover, MD.

Saturday, January 30, 10 am-12 noon

Keynote Speaker: Rev. Clenard Childress, author of *No Sheperd's Cry* and President of the Life Education and Resource Network.

Free Continental breakfast 9:30 am
Preregistration required www.fbcglenarden.org/40days.
Sponsored by Beauty for Ashes, a women’s healing ministry.
For information call 240-593-6982.




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Neighbors in 14 Court Ridge Road dig out cars.



PHOTO BY AARON LEVINE

Cars are parked near a snowy bus stop at the corner of Hanover Parkway and Mandan Road on Saturday.



“See the truth in all religions, for truth is in all & truth is one!” - Baha’i Writings

Greenbelt Baha'i Community

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January 31 10 a.m.
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Greenbelt Community Church
UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST



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Sunday Worship
10:15 a.m.
Rev. Glenyce Grindstaff, Pastor





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At the Library

Wednesday, February 3, Preschool Storytime, 10:15 and 11:15 a.m., for ages 3 to 5, limit 20 people. Thursday, February 4, Baby Storytime, 10:15 a.m., for ages 12 to 24 months, limit 20 people; Baby Laptime Storytime, 11:15 a.m., for ages birth to 12 months, limit 20 people; Toddler Storytime, 4:15 p.m., for ages 2 to 3, limit 20 people.

Encourage your child to make reading a positive experience by bringing them to the library’s storytimes. Each program contains a mixture of engaging activities and age-appropriate stories that support early literacy. Stop by the information desk to pick up free tickets available on a first-come, first-served basis on the day of the event.

Crazy8s Season 1 (Encore) Tuesday, February 2: 4 p.m., for grades K to 2, limit 25 students; 5 p.m., for grades 3 to 5, limit 25 students.

Crazy 8s is a new after-school math club designed to get kids fired up about math. Every week Crazy 8ers build stuff, run and jump, make music, make a mess... all while bonding with new friends over math.

Please note that this is a repeat of Season 1, originally conducted in Fall 2015, for new participants only. Sessions will run weekly on Tuesday afternoons through March 8. Advance registration for the entire eight sessions is required. Contact the branch Information Desk for details and/or to register at 301-345-5800.

Winter 2016 African History and Culture Lecture Series Tuesday, February 2, 7 p.m. Black Inventors: From Africa to America will be the next session of the Winter 2016 season in this audio-visual lecture series presented by C.R. Gibbs, renowned historian of the African Diaspora. Other sessions will be presented during the winter in commemoration of Black History Month on Tuesday evenings through March 1.

City Notes

CARES: During the month of December, nine families on average were seen for counseling. Sixty-six individuals on average came on a weekly basis among whom 23 were 18 years of age and younger. The CICs (Crisis Intervention Counselors) saw three clients.

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City Information

MEETINGS FOR WEEK OF FEBRUARY 1-5

Monday, February 1 at 8:00pm, **COUNCIL WORK SESSION re: Greenbelt Lake**, Greenbelt Municipal Building, 25 Crescent Road. Live on Verizon 21, Comcast 71 and streaming at www.greenbeltmd.gov/municipaltv

Tuesday, February 2 at 7:00pm, **ARTS ADVISORY BOARD**, Greenbelt Community Center, 15 Crescent Road.

Tuesday, February 2 at 7:30pm, **COMMUNITY RELATIONS ADVISORY BOARD**, Schrom Hills Park Meeting room.

Wednesday, February 3 at 8:00pm, **COUNCIL WORK SESSION re: Transit**, Greenbelt Community Center, 15 Crescent Road.

The schedule is subject to change. For confirmation that a meeting is being held call 301-474-8000.

VACANCIES ON BOARDS & COMMITTEES

Volunteer to serve on City Council Advisory Groups. There are currently vacancies on: Arts Advisory Board, Forest Preserve Advisory Board, Greenbelt Advisory Committee on Environmental Sustainability, Parks and Recreation Advisory Board, Senior Citizens Advisory Committee and Youth Advisory Committee.

For information call 301-474-8000.

ELECTRONICS RECYCLING

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 6 from 9am- 12 noon
Public Works Yard, 555 Crescent Road

City residents can recycle old and/or unwanted computers and other electronic items. Accepted items include: TVs, CPUs, monitors, keyboards, mice, printers, laptop computers, recording equipment, speakers, scanners, surge protectors, wires and power cords, fax machines, cameras, telephones, radios, DVD players, VCRs, batteries taped on one end, expanded polystyrene (block “Styrofoam” #6) – NO cups, egg-cartons, nor food trays.

PLEASE CALL IN ADVANCE IF YOU WANT TO DROP-OFF OF MORE THAN 10 ITEMS, IF YOU HAVE MULTIPLE STYROFOAM PIECES, OR ITEMS OVER 50 LBS.

For further information, contact the Greenbelt Sustainability Office at 240-542-2153

Rain Garden Workshop Series

Stormwater Audit: January 30 from 10am-12pm
Greenbelt Public Works Office at 555 Crescent Road
Learn how to assess a property for stormwater problems and opportunities, and how to site your rain garden.

Additional workshops: Rain Garden Workshop on February 27th and Rain Garden Clinic on March 19th
Please join us for all 3 of these FREE workshops
Door prizes and refreshments will be offered! To register <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f084eaaa72eaaff2-rain>

Sponsored by the City of Greenbelt, Prince George’s County Department of the Environment, CCRIC, Beaverdam Creek Watershed Watch Group, and Friends of Still Creek.

CONTRA DANCE

Saturday, February 6
Community Center Gym, 15 Crescent Road
7:00pm-9:45pm; beginner lessons at 6:30pm
\$10 per person (cash at door) for all dancers 18+;
\$5 for those 7-17 and free for those 6 and under.
Perry Shafran calling to the music of Triple Helix.

AN ARTFUL AFTERNOON

Sunday, February 7 from 1-4pm
Greenbelt Community Center, 15 Crescent Road
3pm: Free performance of The Jester’s Box by Blue Sky Puppet Theatre. *Follow the story of Ralph the jester as he takes up the challenge of entertaining King NFAFETMHL, the king who Never Found Anything Funny Enough To Make Him Laugh!*

1–3 p.m.: Art Workshop. Make a wintry scene with artist Janna Riley.

1:00 – 4:00 pm, Enjoy a variety of additional activities at your leisure. See the new art gallery exhibit featuring costumes, props and puppets from Greenbelt Recreation Department performing arts programs. Visit the Community Center studios of our Artists in Residence at an open house and sale. Be inspired by their work in many styles and media, and find unique gifts. Participating tile artist Mary Gawlik will be having a special sale of her first quality, older pieces in room 302.

Also, Greenbelt Museum exhibit, The Knowing Hands that Carve This Stone: The New Deal Art of Lenore Thomas Straus. Museum tours at 10-B from 1-5pm for a nominal fee.

For more information about City of Greenbelt art programs, visit www.greenbeltmd.gov/arts or call 301-397-2208. Arts programs are sponsored in part by the Maryland State Arts Council.

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NON-RESIDENT REGISTRATION BEGINS FEBRUARY 16

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Greenbelt Animal Shelter
550-A Crescent Road 301-474-6124
Open Wednesdays 4-7pm and Saturdays 9am-12pm

 Ernie is an affectionate guy who came in with his buddy Tiger. Tiger was recently adopted but Ernie is still waiting for you to come adopt him! Visit Ernie and all his friends at the Greenbelt Animal Shelter!

FIND US ON FACEBOOK! See pets at www.greenbeltmd.gov/animalshelter

FREE PRODUCE DISTRIBUTION



Springhill Lake Elementary School
6060 Springhill Drive
Thursday, February 4, 2016 from 2:30-3:30 pm. Please bring your rolling carts.

For more information on City Activities, Services and Events, visit www.greenbeltmd.gov Follow [cityofgreenbelt](https://www.facebook.com/cityofgreenbelt) on Facebook! We are also on Twitter and Instagram at [@cityofgreenbelt](https://twitter.com/cityofgreenbelt)



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Chrissy Wilkin's Art At New Deal Café

Currently on display at the New Deal Café is a solo show exhibiting the art of Chrissy Wilkin. This show features her paintings and drawings from 2014 to 2016; a variety of styles, themes and media are explored.

In the front room there is a collection of ink paintings on rice paper. While Wilkin was teaching art in China in 2015 she learned about Chinese painting and kept a diary of artwork. Also in the front room are illustrations created for a children's book written by Jerico Ortanez. Starting on the left side of the wall, read through the poem, moving from illustration to illustration. Wilkin incorporated spirals throughout the drawings, an innovative use of a classic children's toy, the spirograph.

In the back room of the café is a mixture of paintings and detailed illustrations. The illustrations are close-up graphic illusions of different animals: a lion made of mice, a bird made of feathers. The illustrations seem like watercolor, but they are entirely drawn with markers. Large paintings are interspersed throughout the show, showing an expression of emotion in stark contrast with the highly detailed drawings.

Wilkin has done an excellent job exhibiting her breadth of style, influence and technique. This is truly a dynamic collection of work by a multifaceted artist. Her work will be up in the New Deal Café through the end of February. The opening reception will be held on February 7 from 3 to 5 p.m., featuring a performance by The Lunchbox.

The show is sponsored by FONDCA and the City of Greenbelt. For more information contact ChrissySilver@yahoo.com.

Reception for Little At New Deal Café

Now through the end of February, the New Deal Café is showing wearable art by mixed media fiber artist and former Greenbelt Artist-in-residence Russ Little. Join the artist for a reception at the Café on Sunday, February 7 from 1 to 3 p.m., sponsored by Friends of the New Deal Café (FONDCA) and the City of Greenbelt.

The scarves on display began as plain white cloth. Little creates richly colored and patterned surfaces by painting, silk screening and block printing with dye and paint, through batik wax resist or through the Japanese bound resist known as shibori. Finished cloth, which often includes many layers of dye patterning, is then assembled into a scarf to wear or display.

Little's fiber work ranges from the wearable art displayed at the Café to large-scale art quilts, art cloth and liturgical textiles (altar hangings and vestments). Little's work is primarily non-figurative and abstract with what is often described as a mid-century aesthetic. He is inspired by the strong formal qualities of Richard Diebenkorn, the gestural qualities of Robert Motherwell, the color sense of van Gogh and Cézanne, as well as the work of contemporary fiber artists such as Nancy Crow and Dorothy Caldwell.

With an academic and professional background in geography and cartography, as well as IT management, Little seeks to merge the quantitative and qualitative sides of himself in his art, which tends to have a distinct inner structure but strives to embrace free-spirited spontaneity.

More of Little's work is on his website at russlittlefiberartist.com.



PHOTO BY RUSS LITTLE

A scarf by Russ Little

Artful Afternoon Takes Place February 7

Artful Afternoon takes place on Sunday, February 7 from 1 to 4 p.m. at the Greenbelt Community Center located at 15 Crescent Road. Most activities are free and reservations are not required. Times vary for individual activities.

Come early to make a wintry scene with artist Janna Riley in a free art workshop from 1 to 3 p.m. At 3 p.m. enjoy a free performance of The Jester's Box by Blue Sky Puppet Theatre. Follow the story of Ralph the jester as he takes up the challenge of entertaining King Nfafetmhl, the king who Never Found Anything Funny Enough To Make Him Laugh.

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See the Greenbelt Museum's current exhibit, The Knowing Hands that Carve This Stone:

The Jester's Box will be performed by Blue Sky Puppet Theatre.



PHOTO COURTESY OF BLUE SKY PUPPETS

The New Deal Art of Lenore Thomas Straus. Straus is best known locally as the creator of the iconic Mother and Child statue in Roosevelt Center and the impressive bas reliefs on the façade of the Community Center. For more local history, tour the Greenbelt Museum's historic house at 10-B Crescent Road, across the street from the Community Center. Exemplifying the residential core of this New Deal planned community, the house has been restored and furnished with objects from the period of

1936 to 1952. Tours provide visitors with a view of home life for ordinary Americans of modest means during the Great Depression and World War II. Docent-led tours are available between 1 and 5 p.m. for a nominal fee; please plan to arrive no later than 4:30 p.m.

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MBLUE INVITES YOU TO THE SUPER BOWL 50 WATCH PARTY.

We're throwing an exclusive Super Bowl 50 Party. Gather your friends and family and join us from 6:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. on Sunday, February 7th to support your favorite team!

Our menu includes a fajita station, puppy dog bar, buffalo and barbecue wings and our favorite tortilla chips with chili con queso and salsa.

\$10 per Person

Specialty priced beverages will also be available.



at Greenbelt Marriott | 6400 Ivy Lane Greenbelt, MD 20770 | 301.441.3700



Sandy Spring Bank - Beltway Plaza

Table Tennis Tournament

Ping Pong Exhibition and Competition

Saturday, February 6th • 1:00 to 4:00 PM

Join us for a Table Tennis Challenge, see if you can beat our local pro Navin Kumar for prizes and to support the Michael J. Fox Parkinson's Foundation.



Known as the "Bionic Man", Navin is the first Parkinson's athlete in history to represent the USA in international table tennis competitions as part of the Paralympic Program. Navin is also a 5 time open-heart surgery survivor with mechanical heart, pacemaker and other artificial components.

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Hoover Federal Building
The FBI has occupied the J. Edgar Hoover Federal building since 1974. The building is situated in a prime location on Pennsylvania Avenue. The 1.77 million rentable square foot (2.4 million gross square foot) building sits on 6.7 acres of land and is a prime location for office, retail and residential uses.

Reducing Federal Footprint
The FBI Headquarters Consolidation Project is part of GSA’s ongoing effort to meet the Obama Administration’s goals to reduce the footprint and operational efficiency by consolidating federal agencies into government-owned space and getting under-performing federal facilities off the government’s books. (end of release)

Washington Post
The Washington Post reported this announcement in its January 24 edition. It also reported that Obama is seeking \$1.4 billion in appropriations in the FY17 budget which is to be released February 9. Senator Barbara Mikulski had previously obtained a \$390 million set-aside, concerned that sale of the Hoover Building would not be enough to provide a feasible plan to build the proposed 2.1 million square foot building.

The Post article also said, “Although the agency has declined to name which teams remain, executives familiar with the search say there are four, led by Boston Properties, Lerner Enterprises, the Peterson Cos. and the JBG Cos. along with Vornado Realty Trust. Those firms have declined to publicly confirm their participation.” Lerner Enterprises has been part-owner in a number of Greenbelt development projects

and built the University Square apartments. However, the company is also reported to be the owner of the former Landover Mall property which is in contention for the FBI headquarters. Ted Lerner is the principal owner of the Washington Nationals baseball franchise.

Mikulski also issued a press release on January 22. In it she is quoted as saying, “I’ve fought tooth and nail for the men and women of the FBI, working to secure a \$390 million significant down-payment in the FY16 funding bill. And now that the President has requested full funding for the new headquarters. . . . I’ll work my earrings off to put the funds in the federal checkbook.”

The Post story notes however that, “House Minority Whip Steny Hoyer, D-Md., a proponent of the project, has said he is not a big fan of the swap idea because he believes the Hoover Building would probably bring in more money if it were sold independently, rather than offered only to companies that also have the capability and interest needed for building a campus.”

Unclear is whether the final arrangement will remain the lease-purchase deal originally proposed by GSA or if the government will construct the building with its own funds, although the proposed appropriation would indicate that the government will build and own the building. It is also unclear if land ownership could be an issue, since the Greenbelt site is owned by Metro and was to be made available for development on a long-term lease basis.



Photos by Captain Thomas Kemp

City of Greenbelt plowed out Springhill Lake Recreation Center on Saturday January 23, though the blizzard wasn’t over yet.

Greenbelt officers Private Irelisse Fernandez and Corporal Christopher Bladzinski set out on patrol Sunday, January 24, happy to see the sun again.



Greenbelt Police Communications Specialist II Marcia Brown was out patrolling in the Citizen Rescue Vehicle — the one that looks like a tank. The CRV was used throughout the blizzard because it could move through the snow.

WMATA to Hold Hearing on FBI Site

The City of Greenbelt has received notice that the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority will hold a public hearing on Tuesday, February 23 concerning revised plans for the redevelopment of the Greenbelt Station property by Renard Development Co., LLC to provide for commercial and office facilities and to provide a site for the location of the Federal Bureau of Investigation headquarters. The hearing will be held at the Greenbelt Marriott at 7 p.m. with an information session at 6:30 p.m. Prior to the hearing, beginning February 6, WMATA personnel will be soliciting the views of passengers at the Greenbelt station. More information is available on line at wmata.com/development.



The Greenbelt Grasshopper

Have a joke, riddle or work of art you want to share?
E-mail sfits7@gmail.com (Must be between the ages of 2 to 16).

Trivia Time:

The most snow fallen in Maryland from Snowzilla was in Redhouse, MD, at 38 inches. Greenbelt’s snow tally came in at 23 inches.

RIDDLE IN THE MIDDLE

What did the hurricane say to the other hurricane?

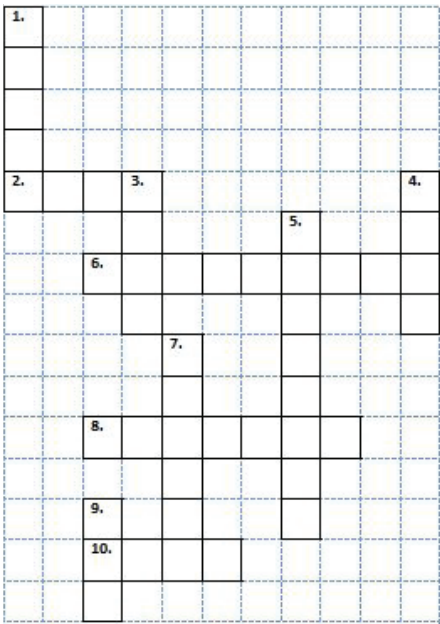
Joke of the Week

Q: What does a Snowman take when he gets sick? A: A chill pill!

Riddle in the middle answer:

(I have my eye on you!)

This Week’s Activity:



Across

- 2. A collection of snowflakes
- 6. No two are the same
- 8. Frosty the _____
- 10. A temperature and a virus

Down

- 1. Snowzilla's real name
- 3. _____ in the willows
- 4. Fun way to travel downhill
- 5. Rhymes with gizzard
- 7. You dig snow with this
- 9. Frozen water

See Crossword Answers on page 9



PRELIMINARY AGENDA
GHI BOARD OF DIRECTORS’ MEETING
Thursday, February 4, 2016
GHI ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, 7:30 PM

GHI Key Agenda Items:

- Review Request from Members of 14 Court Ridge to Include Yellow as a Color Option during the Homes Improvement Program
- Consider Changes that Should be Made to GHI Bylaws
- Review Draft Fee Deferral Agreements
- Proposed Revision to Clothesline Rule
- Review Bids for Installation of HVAC and Electrical Components during the Homes Improvement Program
- Schedule Date for Manager’s 2015 Performance Evaluation

Regular Board meetings are open to Members
For more information, visit our website: www.ghi.coop



To request a sign language interpreter for this meeting, go to <http://www.ghi.coop/content/interpreter-request-form>, or go to the GHI Office (One Hamilton Place) or contact us by phone (301-474-4161) or fax (301-474-4006).

Police Blotter

Based on information released by the Greenbelt Police Department, www.greenbeltmd.gov/police
Dates and times are those when police were first contacted about incidents.

Abduction

January 15, 4:50 p.m., 7500 block Mandan Road. A 12-year-old boy was walking home from the bus stop when a vehicle described as a red SUV pulled up to him. Four men, ages unknown, got out and showed him a photo of a person on a cell phone. They asked if he knew the person. He said he did not and started to walk away. The men got back into the vehicle but then got out again, ran up to the boy, forced him into the SUV and drove away. They asked him several more times if he knew the identity of the person pictured on the cell phone. The boy told them again that he did not know. The men then dropped him off in the 7200 block Hanover Drive. The boy was not injured.

Robbery

January 15, 9:54 p.m., 7400 block Frankfort Drive. Four men wearing ski-type masks approached two people walking home. One of the men displayed a handgun and announced a robbery. They took cellphones from the two people and fled on foot toward the 10000 block Greenbelt Road. They were described as one Latino and three black men, all approximately 5'10" tall, wearing trench coats.

Armed Person

January 17, 4:08 a.m., 7500 block Greenbelt Road. A man driving north on the Baltimore-Washington Parkway flashed his high beams at another vehicle as it drove past him at a high rate of speed. The driver of the speeding car then slowed and began following the driver who had flashed his high beams. The latter driver then exited the Parkway onto Greenbelt Road and was followed by the driver who had been speeding. The vehicles were side by side when they were stopped by a traffic light. The driver of the car that had been speeding displayed a handgun and then drove away. He is described as a black man, 6' tall, 180 pounds, wearing blue jeans, gray sweater and a black hat, driving a black 4-door Nissan.

Arrest

January 16, 2:12 p.m., 6000 block Greenbelt Road. A 21-year-old resident was arrested and charged with trespass and theft during a theft investigation. She was released on citation pending trial.

January 17, 6100 block Breezewood Court. Two non-residents ages 16 and 18 were arrested for theft from auto after the car owner saw both of them inside her vehicle. They fled on foot but were located nearby and positively identified by the owner. The adult nonresident was also found to be in possession of property taken from her car. He was released on citation pending trial. The youth was released to a parent pending action by the juvenile justice system.

DWI/DUI

January 18, 3:43 p.m., 7500 block Mandan Road. A 47-year-old Greenbelt man was arrested and charged with alcohol- and traffic-related offenses after officers responded to a call about a suspicious vehicle.

Theft

January 14, 2:55 p.m., 100 block Westway. A taxi driver reported that he picked up a woman passenger in Rockville and drove her to the 100 block Westway. Upon arrival she said she had to go inside her home to get money to pay for the ride. She never returned to pay the driver.

January 19, 5:14 p.m., 9300 block Edmonston Road. A parcel package was taken from the front stoop of a residence.

Disorderly Conduct

January 16, 5:27 p.m., 58 Court Ridge Road. A 57-year-old resident was arrested and charged with disorderly conduct after officers responded to a report of a person sitting in a vehicle revving the engine. She was released on citation pending trial.

Burglary

January 18, 8:24 p.m., 9100 block Springhill Lane. A 16-year-old Greenbelt youth was arrested for burglary after he was located in a vacant apartment. He was released to a parent pending action by the Juvenile Justice System.

January 19, 4:58 p.m., 6100 block Springhill Terrace. A maintenance worker entered a vacant apartment to do some work when a man and a woman walked out of the bathroom. The worker left the apartment and walked to his truck in the 9200 block Springhill Lane. Once inside the truck he saw the man walk up to his truck and puncture two tires on it using a knife. He then fled on foot.

Vehicle Crime

One vehicle was stolen, a silver 4-door 2002 Oldsmobile Alero, taken from the 9100 block Edmonston Road on January 16.

Two vehicles were recovered. A 2004 Ford Crown Victoria reported stolen by Prince George's County Police was recovered on January 14 in the 9300 block Edmonston Road. A 2001 Dodge Ram pickup reported stolen December 30 from the 5900 block Cherrywood Lane was recovered January 19 by D.C. Metropolitan Police in the 3500 block 17th Street, N.E.

One theft from auto was reported in the 6200 block Springhill Drive, where the driver side window was broken and an in-dash CD player, speakers and amplifier were removed.

Two incidents of auto vandalism occurred. In the 6200 block Breezewood Drive a rock was thrown at the rear window, breaking it and damaging the body. In the 9100 block Edmonston Terrace graffiti was written on the hood of a vehicle and two tires were slashed.

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introduction to GHI often comes through the museum.

City Manager Michael McLaughlin attended the meeting, as did Museum Board Member Anna Socrates and Sheila Maf-fay-Tuthill, education and volunteer coordinator for the museum.

Pending City Ordinance

On January 11 council introduced for first reading an ordinance to authorize the city to acquire by negotiated purchase the rights-to-use 10-A Crescent. The ordinance was scheduled to return for second reading and adoption on council's January 25 agenda. Because of the snow over last weekend, the meeting is currently rescheduled for Thursday, January 28. While there is thus one step left to close the loop, little doubt exists that council will adopt the ordinance at the first possible snow-free opportunity.

The city's ordinance stipulates the sale price to be up to \$200,000, plus any related costs or fees. Since GHI is a cooperative, the sale would not actually be for the real estate at 10-A but rather to enter into a mutual ownership contract (MOC) with GHI that would give the city a right to perpetual use of the unit. Since the city is already a GHI member by virtue of its MOC for 10-B, it would still be allowed to hold only one membership vote following the purchase of 10-A.

The house at 10-B was acquired by the city for use by the museum as part of its 50th Anniversary celebration in 1987. At the time, it was recognized as extraordinary good luck to have a house become available in a location so near the town center, the Municipal Building and what eventually became the renovated Community Center.

Ever since then, the staff and friends of the museum have hoped that in time it would be possible for the museum to occupy 10-A as well. The additional space would permit consolidation

of some museum functions currently located in the Community Center, which in turn would enable the museum to offer more tours and be open to the public for increased hours. Space might also be provided for use by researchers studying Greenbelt.

Genealogists Meet

The next meeting of the Prince George's County Genealogical Society is scheduled for 7 p.m. on Wednesday, February 3 at the New Carrollton Municipal Building, 6016 Princess Garden Parkway. John-Peter Thompson, chairman of the Prince George's Historical Preservation Committee, will speak about Dr. John Bayne and the Salubria plantation that was originally part of the Oxon Hill tract.

There will be time at the meeting to network with others searching for their roots and to learn new tips to assist your own research. Refreshments will be served.

For more information, visit pgcgs.org, call the Society's library at 301-262-2063 or visit facebook.com/pgcgenealogy.

Events at Patuxent Research Refuge

Weather Forecasters, True or False? On Saturday, January 30 from 1 to 2:30 p.m., celebrate the famous weather legend Punxsutawney Phil with a craft and a story for ages 3 to 6. Hear tales about animal behaviors and signs in nature that may help predict the weather. Are any of these amazing tales true? Registration is required; call 301-497-5887.

Stop by the Visitor Center to see the Hollingsworth Art Gallery's artists. January features work by the students of Jing-Jy Chen and February will feature work by artist Jim O'Leary. For more information about the Hollingsworth Art Gallery artists visit fws.gov/refuge/Patuxent/visit/gallery.

The National Wildlife Visitor Center is closed to the public on Thursdays.

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Left: There was a rush on bread and hot chocolate at the Cco-op ahead of the storm.

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amount of snow received over the last few days was “crazy.” While the two agreed that the snowfall of 2010 seemed worse, on Tuesday they were still trying to dig their car out and Anne said, “I didn’t believe there would actually be this much snow.” A walk around Franklin Park Apartments that day showed clear staircases but snow still thick, albeit trampled down on walkways.

Greenbelters rallied together helping friends, neighbors and total strangers dig cars out of the heavy snow. Between asking (and answering calls) for help on social media, stopping mid-walk to assist someone shoveling and groups of neighbors spontaneously gathering to dig out cars, Greenbelters banded together in a spirit of camaraderie post-storm. Young siblings Leah and Logan Magnotto sat in the snow on Saturday watching their father scrape the family van. Of the snow, then falling lightly, Leah said, “I like it, it’s fun!” Eight-year-old Logan reflected that his favorite part of the snow is throwing snowballs at the family dog, while Leah prefers throwing snowballs at Logan.

On Woodland Way, Jim Heagy spent the weekend enjoying the storm. “I really love the snow,” he said. “It makes you think about being a kid again. We are so busy with our workday worlds, and when the snow comes you can just stop and be – well, you can be a kid again.” Like many Greenbelters, he planned on going sledding with his family, friends and neighbors. On Saturday he thought about what could make the weekend even better. “I kind of hope we lose power – but not for very long. Then it’s like camping. You don’t have television so you read books or play music and just come together as a family.”



A snowman keeps an eye on a dog in the snow.

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Cecilia Hass perches on a giant snow pile in the center parking lot, ready to slide.

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Christopher Walsh (7) tries to free his mother's car.



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Bill Wilkerson (left) and Peter Brady enjoy food and beer at 60 Crescent Court's traditional snow day BBQ party.



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